

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**Phil Costa**  
**Minister for Water**  
**Minister for Regional Development**



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### **NSW GOVERNMENT BRINGS JOBS AND INVESTMENT TO BROKEN HILL**

NSW Government is helping a Broken Hill drilling contractor to create eight jobs and invest more than \$2 million into the local economy, Minister for Regional Development, Phil Costa said.

On a visit to Broken Hill today, Mr Costa said NSW Government assistance helped Macquarie Drilling establish operations in the city.

“This is a direct investment into attracting new jobs to the area,” Mr Costa said.

“By encouraging new companies to relocate to Broken Hill we can ensure the area continues to be an industrial hub for the State and create employment opportunities for locals.

“Broken Hill is an ideal location for new companies with the advantages of availability of skilled labour, contractors and good transport connections.

“Macquarie Drilling offers a range of site investigation and resources drilling services for mineral exploration and mining clients.

“The company chose Broken Hill as the base for its fleet of mobile drilling rigs and support equipment because it is a long established mining area.

“The operational hub in Broken Hill is supported by the company’s head office in Sydney.”

The company’s managing director Michael Petrozzi said the NSW Government assistance helped Macquarie Drilling with the costs of expanding the business.

“Macquarie Drilling is using the Broken Hill base to support a diverse mineral drilling operation,” Mr Petrozzi said.

“The company is also actively supporting local businesses and the community.”

Macquarie Drilling was assisted by Industry & Investment NSW’s Regional Economic Transition Scheme.

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